Public Presentation Day 2009 - April 7th & April 9th You still have time to sign up.

Public Presentation Day (Demo Day) is an opportunity for 4-H members to present to an audience an aspect of what they have learned in 4-H. Speeches or demonstrations can be as short as 5 minutes plus questions. 4-Hers may present any area of their 4-H experience and will have a small audience including one or two judges.

This year's date is set for Tuesday, April 7, 2009 for Cloverbuds and Thursday, April 9, 2009 for 14 year olds & up (if you were 14 as of October 1, 2008). 4-H members 9-13 years old can choose either Tuesday or Thursday for their presentations. Presentation Day will be held at the Belgrade Middle School from 5:30 PM-8:00 PM. Presentations spots are available every 15 minutes beginning at 5:30 p.m. The club with the greatest percentage of members competing will win a \$25.00 prize. Certificates will be awarded. Grand and Reserve ribbons will be presented at the conclusion of presentation day. If you are not present for this, your award will be available at the Extension Office for you to pick up or your club leader to pick up from their mailbox.

There are several divisions for presenters. Cloverbuds may participate in the 6-8 year old group, but are not judged or placed. Members who are 9-10 years old have two brackets in which to enter. Those giving their first ever demonstration at the county level will be judged separately than those giving their second demonstration.

The next age division is for 11-13 year olds. At this level, presenters have their choice of doing a speech or giving a demonstration. Experienced presenters are again separated from those with no experience.

Older teens, 14-19 years old (you must be 14 as of October 1, 2008), may also choose to deliver either a speech or demonstration which should be anywhere between 7 to 20 minutes long. The first place winner receives an all expense paid trip to Montana 4-H Congress where they may compete at the state level.

The experience young people receive from this event is tremendous. They become more confident, learn communication skills, and discover where they can improve. The entry form for this event is can be downloaded from our website: www.gallatinextension.com, click on 4-H, then forms. More are available at the Extension Office by calling 388-3213. You may reserve your time slot over the phone.

Teen Camp Opportunity!

This camp is designed specifically for teens! This is an mattress, hot showers, canoeing, swimming, campopportunity for all Ravalli County and Montana 4-H members. Registration for out of county youth can apply on May 15, 2009. So, get your registration in as youth. Get your registration in, space is limited! soon as possible to reserve your spot.

When is Ravalli County Teen Camp?

July 29-August 1, 2009 (Wed.-Sat.) For youth 4-H Age 13 and up.

> Where is it? LOON LAKE 4-H CAMP - BIG FORK, MT What does it cost?

COST: \$105.00 - includes transportation from Ravalli County to camp, 9 meals, snacks, cabin bunk with fires, fun workshops, games, camp t-shirt and dance. Registration starts May 15 for non-Ravalli County

REGISTRATION DEADLINE: FRIDAY, July 17, 2009. Refunds until July 1, 2009

> Pick up your registration form at the **Gallatin County Extension Office.**

Questions? Call MSU/Ravalli County Extension at 375-6611 or ravalli@montana.edu